ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

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2 An electrophoretic display (EPD) has two opposite substrates with electrodes, multiple colored charged particles in the fluid, reflective areas and 3 transmissive areas defined on one of the two substrates or respectively on the 4 5 two substrates. When a positive or negative electric potential is applied to the 6 electrodes on the opposite substrates, the colored charged particles are collected 7 to the reflective areas or the transmissive areas. Therefore, front light radiated 8 to the first substrate can be controlled to reflect by the reflective areas and backlight radiated to the second substrate can be controlled to pass through the 9 two opposite substrates. Thus, the EPD in accordance with the present 10 invention can be operated in the reflective or direct-viewing display mode or 11 both of the reflective and direct-viewing display mode. 12